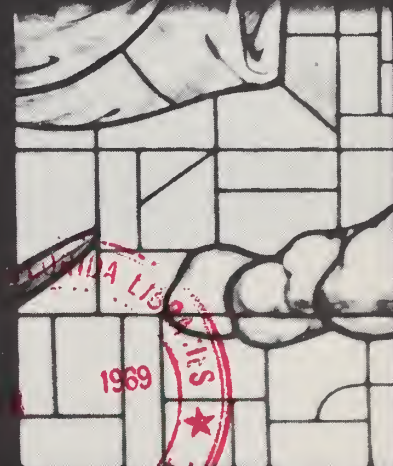


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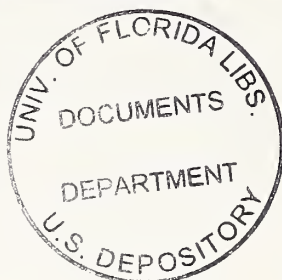
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United States Army Curriculum



"Social" Security Daily Requirement



From the FS Hakata Samurai Shinbun

Drunkenness is an ugly word. It brings to mind a man who has passed out and is beyond taking part in a conversation. There is another kind of man that is most dangerous to security. He is the social drinker who is either sorry for himself, feels he is not appreciated or needs to build up his self-esteem.

Many people believe that it is all right if "you only talk about the unclassified portions of your work." The listener may not know exactly what you are talking about, but bits of information put together may give the enemy the complete classified picture. In a relaxed atmosphere where everyone seems to be talking about the unclassified angle of his job, the compulsive boaster goes overboard. Others believe they never talk about their work in a public place even when they cannot remember what they said or did.

Social drinking is not only a security hazard from the "talking" viewpoint, but may lead to other hazards which reflect unfavorably.

Today's social world tends to demand social drinking. You may help yourself by knowing your personal limit on drinking. Also, remember the security of your job and country are at stake. ■

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OUR COVER

Our Easter cover is a photo of the stained glass window in the post chapel, Ft. Richardson, Alaska.



Do you like to paint? Or sketch? Or take photographs?

Is there the spirit of Picasso or Matthew Brady lurking inside?

Why not enter USASA's first annual art and photo contest. Every person in the Agency, no matter where he is stationed, is eligible to compete for the cash prizes that will be awarded in eight categories of competition.

The contest is solely for members of USASA and final judging will be held at U.S. Army Garrison, Arlington Hall Station, the designated host for this year's competition.

Preliminary competition will be held at the unit or subordinate command level and completed by July so that winning entries can be forwarded to Arlington Hall Station for the August judging.

Entries will be judged by a panel of prominent civilian artists in the Washington area. Winning entries will be displayed at Arlington Hall Station while losing entries will be returned to participants two weeks following the judging.

In each of the eight categories of competition, there will be four U.S. Savings Bonds awarded: \$75 for first place; \$50 for second; \$25 for third; and \$25 for fourth.

That's a total of 32 cash prizes for winners in these eight comprehensive categories: 1. Oil painting; 2. Water Colors (Including Transparent and Opaque Media); 3. Drawings (Including Pencil, Brush, or Pen-and-Ink, Crayon, Chalk, or Scratchboard); 4. Prints (Etchings, Lithographs, Linoleum cuts, Woodblocks, Silk Screen, and other print processes); 5. Mixed Media (Any combination of media, with

or without collage); 6. Black and White Photographs; 7. Color Photographs; and 8. Color Transparencies.

Entries must be the original work of the participant, completed since Jan. 1, 1969. Predrawn pictures, copies of photographs, postcards and illustrations, graphic reproductions and training aids done in connection with official duties will not be eligible.

Contestants are encouraged to use local surroundings as their subject matter and, if possible, depict some aspect of the Agency's mission. However, entries must be of an unclassified nature.

It might be wise to keep in mind some of the things judges will be looking for in the entries. Heading the list is originality and ingenuity—how does the medium convey the idea?

Judges will also evaluate the design or composition—that is, the organization and structure of the elements—emphasizing line, dark and light, color, texture and spatial relationships.

Impact, appeal, and meaningfulness to the participant are other criteria that will be applied in the judging.

For all the rules and complete details on this first annual USASA Art and Photo Contest look into the governing circular (USASA Circular No. 28-3, 6 Feb. 69.)

So arouse that latent artist in you. Flap the wings of the shutterbug.

Enter the Art and Photo Contest. Remember the competition begins at your unit level.

Publicity, recognition, cash awards—and fun—are just a stroke of the brush, a flick of the shutter finger away. ■



pass in review

A roundup of ASA news from Hallmark correspondents

ALASKA

In January command inspections at "Ft. Shemya," the second platoon under SFC Eugene T. Arnold and SSG Francis W. Smith, took Platoon of the Month honors while SP4s William Ficken, Joseph Sockel and Ralph Wright occupy the Room of the Month.

ARIZONA

In February, SSG Bob Kennard, Test and Evaluation Center, Ft. Huachuca, received a direct appointment to Warrant Officer 1.

CALIFORNIA

Charles O. Osborn, transportation director at Two Rock Ranch, received the Silver Beaver Award for 1968 from the Sonoma Medocino Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. The Silver Beaver, the highest scouting award given to volunteers, is presented annually to the men who have contributed most to "boyhood." Life Scout Osborn is presently a District Commissioner, BSA.

. . . a bake sale by the NCO and the Officers Wives Clubs raised \$125 for the Benefit Association.

KOREA

Co A, USASA Group Korea, has 100 per cent participation in blood dona-

SP4 Roy P. Campbell, a commcenter specialist with Comm Unit Japan, was chosen by United States Army Pacific for its theater-wide "Man With A Mission" poster.



tions—three times in a row! LTC Charles T. Morris, CO, 2nd Medical Bn, said Company A set a division record.

JAPAN

Chitose has started a new program called "Operator/Analyst of the Month" to recognize outstanding individuals from the various operational sections within Alfa Division.

GEORGIA

In February the first class graduated from the new 40-hour CRITICOMM Operations Course at Fort Gordon, Georgia. It follows the regular 72B Teletype Operator course and is required for all Agency personnel in the MOS. Suggestions from the field, properly classified, should be addressed to: CG USASA, ATTN: DCSTEL, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Va., 22212. SFC Charles V. Stinson is the chief instructor, assisted by SSG Ernest Coleman, SSG Joseph Ballweg, SSG Jerry Harbst and SFC Raymond A. Cuevas.

GERMANY

Co A received the Safety Award at Bad Aibling for second quarter, FY 1969.

In the latest Quarterly Award competition at the 507th Gp, the 184th Ops Co was named Best Company.

In the February FS Bad Aibling Safety Contest Miss Patricia McKinley, daughter of CW2 Nelson E. McKinley, received a \$25 Savings Bond for her winning entry which read simply—"DEATH KIT: CARELESSNESS." A replica of the winning entry, which topped 73 others, is now prominently displayed near the Main Gate.

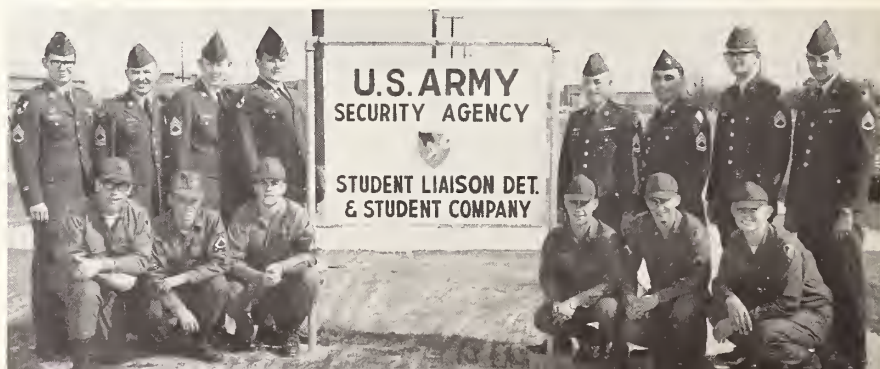
MASSACHUSETTS

How often are a father and son both assigned to the same outfit in the Army? Rarely, but TC&S has such an unusual occurrence presently. MSG William J. Ennis and his son, PFC Robert Ennis, are both members of TC&S, Ft Devens. MSG Ennis is the NCOIC of the Academic Affairs Division, TC&S, while PFC Ennis is a student. Robert has been at Ft Devens since August 1968 and his father since July 1967. The two enlisted men think the Agency is a good outfit, which may suggest the son's reason for joining it!

MAJ Charles M. Fowler, Chief, Academic Affairs Division, TC&S, has received an infrequently given Certificate of Commendation by the Minutemen Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA). MAJ Fowler was historian of the Chapter and past chairman of the Chapter's Planning Committee.

PFCs Gary Murphy and Andrew Waterman, students at TC&S, have been entertaining in the children's ward at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston singing folk music and country and western songs. Both sing, and Murphy also plays the Spanish guitar. Murphy, who has written five songs, has done this kind of entertaining for years.

The first graduating class of the new "Introduction to CRITICOMM" class at Ft Gordon. Standing (from left): Instructors SSG Terry V. Harbst, MSG Robert V. Batt; 1SG SFC Robert L. Hale; CPT Floyd L. Koch, CO Stu Ln Det Ft Gordon; instructors SFC Charles V. Stinson, SFC Raymond A. Cuevas, SSG Ernest J. Coleman, SSG Joseph E. Ballweg; Kneeling (from left); students, PFCs Robert E. Elo, Raymer E. Patterson, Tommy E. Little, Jessie K. Gofield, John T. Wise and Michael G. Deford.





MSG William J. Ennis and his son, PFC Robert Ennis, both assigned to TC&S.

When the two visited the hospital to donate blood they walked by the children's ward where they found an eager audience for their talents. The General Director of Beth Israel Hospital sent a letter of commendation to the Ft Devens CG in appreciation of the boys' generosity.

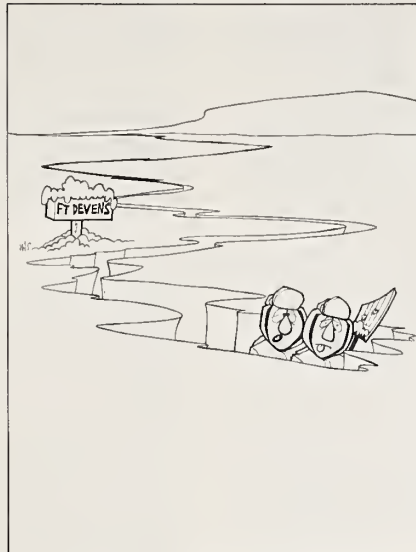
SFC Alvin Long is now "Mr. Long"—he received a direct appointment as a WO1 recently at TC&S. In January, James F. Blaylock, TC&S, Ft. Devens, received a direct appointment to warrant officer one.

HAWAII

On January 14 more than 40 men from USASAPAC responded to a request for blood following the disaster on the carrier Enterprise which killed and wounded 110 men.

PAC SP5s Kenneth L. Franklin and Joseph E. Zornek are members of the Waimea Bay Volunteer Fire Department Shore patrol. On January 19 they assisted in the rescue of three men from the treacherous waters of Hawaii's North Shore. Saving lives is an everyday affair for the Shore Patrol. During winter months a 30-foot storm surf can carry a 200-lb man far out to sea in minutes. Ken and Joe re-

ceived no "public award"—saving a man's life brings its own, silent reward. PACs recent blood drive produced another member for the Gallon Blood Donor Club. MAJ Thomas H. Ross has now donated two gallons.



Looks like The Hallmark put a hex on Ft. Devens. Shortly after the February Hallmark appeared with the above cartoon, Ft. Devens had its worst snowfall in history (February 1969 was the snowiest month ever recorded by the Boston Weather Bureau). Below, SP4 Ken Hastings and SP4 Michael O'Flynn, next to a 12-foot drift, illustrate the truth of our "prediction."



At Chitose, Japan, Kuma Station had 34 inches of snow in a 24-hour period—the largest snowfall for that period of time in 15 years! At left is the view in front of the service club. The headquarters building is shown in the picture at right. (Photo by SP5 John Hessen.)



SSG Bobby Adams, Pensacola Det, graduated from the Advanced Non-Morse Operations Course with a 97.64 average—the highest average since the course began in April 1966. Det CO 1LT D. I. Price puts SSG Adams' name above the previous course record.

TURKEY

More than \$1,000 worth of records have been donated to KBOK by its own staff members. KBOK is the "audio distribution system" serving Sinop's Diogenes Station (TUSLOG Det 4).

On February 7 Diogenes Station held a Command Sergeant Majors' Dinner for all E5's and above at the station. The previous week the EM Club was transformed into a "palace of fun and games" for the Winter Fun Festival. Proceeds went to the Benefit Association and the Sinop Boys' Orphanage.

MARYLAND

In the latest Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course at Ft. Holabird, CPT William K. Van Newkirk was the top student in the 150-man class.

VIETNAM

CW4 Forrest D. Castle, 313th RR Bn, Nha Trang, has been placed, for the second time, on the Dean's List at the University of Maryland. CW4 Castle has a 3.6 grade average on a 4.0 grading system.





ODCSPER

□ **Safety Awards Winners Announced**—USASA Field Station Asmara and USASA Field Station Homestead are the winners of the Commanding General's Annual Safety Awards for FY 1968, it was recently announced.

Asmara won in the large unit category (commands of more than 1,000 personnel authorized) while Homestead won in small unit competition (commands of less than 1,000). Two Rock Ranch received an honorable mention award.

Selections for the awards representing excellence in safety were made on the basis of reduction of accidents, injuries and per capita costs of accidents.

Command and staff guidance, program direction, and safety education and training were also considered in the evaluations.

□ **Supervisory Program Initiated**—The Civilian Personnel Office at Arlington Hall Station has initiated a series of one-week Supervisory Development Programs designed to assist the military and civilian supervisor. The program will continue until all first-line supervisors at Arlington Hall Station have been brought up-to-date on personnel management.

The course content covers such things as the role of the supervisor, selection and utilization of personnel, position and pay management, performance appraisals, career management, training, grievances, appeals, and communications and safety.

□ **Hints for Summer Water Safety**—With a little effort on everyone's part, this summer can be as safe as well as an enjoyable one. Here are a few tips on summer water activities that could mean the difference between a good time and a tragedy.

When swimming, always make certain the area is safe—free from strong undertows, currents, and irregular or unknown bottoms. At all times use some kind of buddy system. And, whenever possible, swim where there is a lifeguard in a clearly-defined safe area.

It's important to keep from getting overtired while swimming—caution is always the watchword. Caution is also the key to waterskiing. Waterskiers should know how to swim before they get up on skis and should always wear life preservers.

Boating is a popular summer activity involving some serious preparation. Before the boat touches water it should be closely checked for all deficiencies and equipped with the necessary serviceable safety devices. Heading the list is a life preserver in good condition for each passenger. It's up to each "skipper" to learn the rules of safe and courteous boating, too.

This summer can be an enjoyable one simply by following a few simple rules of safety. (By the way, on the way to the lake or beach, drive carefully.)

□ **Summer Sports Trials Dates Set**—Tryouts for the All-Army tennis and softball teams will begin this summer. Tennis tryouts will be held starting July 21 at Ft. Myer, Virginia, while softball will start July 28 at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Any Agency man who feels qualified in these sports may contact his installation's Special Services officer for details on submitting an application or being nominated for the All-Army trials. (This is in accordance with provisions of AR 28-52.)

□ **Maintenance Course Opens at Ft. Devens**—Eligible Agency men are encouraged to apply for the recently-initiated Maintenance Supervisor Course (Course No. 102-F8) at Training Center and School, Ft. Devens. The course is a non-MOS-producing one designed to train senior maintenance men to better perform their management function as well as their maintenance function.

The course is 16 weeks, 4 days in length, and is divided into three general blocks of instruction: 1. Technical Leveling; 2. Methodology; and 3. Core Curriculum.

Applicants for the course must fulfill the following prerequisites:

- Be Grade E6 or higher.
- Be qualified in and hold a PMOS of 33C, 33D, 33F, or 33G and have at least three years experience in one or more of these MOSs.
- Have 15 months or more active duty service remaining upon completion of the course.
- Have final SECRET clearance and cryptographic access authorization.

Interested personnel may apply for attendance on DA Form 2496.

□ **New Non-combat Medal Authorized**—A new non-combat award to members of the armed forces who have distinguished themselves by meritorious achievement or service has been designated the Meritorious Service Medal (MSM). The medal had been authorized by Executive Order by former President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The medal will rank between the Legion of Merit and the Army Commendation Medal in the non-combat decoration category. It will be of a design approved by the Secretary of Defense. Directives on criteria for the MSM are tentatively scheduled for mid-1969 publication.

□ **EXPERT Data Review Underway**—EXPERT data reporting requirements are currently being reviewed to determine which items can be eliminated as extraneous or merely "nice to know." Relieving EXPERT of these types of information will reduce the data maintenance workload on EXPERT clerks in all UPO's.

Additionally, the review will result in identification of manually-prepared personnel data reports which can be replaced using EXPERT information with only a negligible revision of EXPERT data formats.

USAG

□ **NCO Ball Set for Next Month**—USASA's Noncommissioned Officers Military Ball will be held Saturday evening, May 10, 1969, at the Moose Lodge in Alexandria, Virginia. Every enlisted man in the Agency, E5 and above—both active and retired—is invited to attend.

The receiving line, the presentation of colors, and the grand march will usher in a night of dancing to good music. A buffet and beverages will also be available throughout the evening.

Dress for active military is Army Blue or Army Green uniform. Retired military can wear their blues or greens, or tuxedo, dinner jacket, or dark business suit. Ladies should wear full-length or short formal dress, cocktail dress, or other appropriate party dress.

The NCO Ball offers a good chance to meet old friends and make new ones. Tickets are \$5.50 per person and can be obtained through your local command sergeant major or write: CSM, HQ USAG, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Va. 22212.

ODCSCOM

□ **Savings Participation Declining**—In the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1968, the Agency's overall participation in the U.S. Savings Bond Program dropped to a new low of 80 per cent. This was the sixth consecutive quarter a decline in participation was reported.

Despite this trend, nine units recorded 100 per cent participation in the quarter. They were USASA Det, USARAL; 402d USASA SOD; PP&P Det, Ft. Dix; PP&P Det, Ft. Ord; and the USASA detachments at First Army, Third Army, Fourth Army, Fifth Army, and Sixth Army.

Other units with exceptional participation rates, including some of considerable size, were: 311th USASA Bn; USASA Training Center and School (Permanent Party); 301st USASA Bn; Materiel Support Command; USASA Test and Evaluation Center; PP&P Det, Ft. Leonard Wood; and PP&P Det, Ft. Jackson.

Savings bond participation is purely an individual matter. The message on the back of the Army paychecks, however, carries an important reminder: "Buy and Hold U.S. Savings Bonds—Safe as America."

□ **Vint Hill Opens Finance Office**—The men of Vint Hill Farms Station in Warrenton, Va., will no longer be required to travel the 45 miles to Ft. Meyer in Washington to resolve their pay problems, ODCSCOM reports.

A Class B Finance Office was opened at Vint Hill in January.

The new office can issue cash payments for TDY and advance travel pay and offers regular monthly payments in cash as well as check.

In effect, the office furnishes every service formerly provided by Ft. Meyer with the exception of ETS processing.

It is estimated the Vint Hill Finance Office will save 2,400 vehicle-miles and 1,000 man hours per month for Vint Hill personnel.

SJA

□ **New SJA Arrives this Month**—COL Carl E. Winkler will take over as Staff Judge Advocate this month, succeeding COL John S. Wilson who retired. For the past three and one-half years COL Winkler has served as the SJA of the Military District of Washington.

COL Winkler, a native of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, graduated from the undergraduate college and law school of the University of Iowa.

During World War II, COL Winkler served on the staff and faculty of the Military Intelligence Training Center at Ft. Ritchie as Chief of the Counterintelligence Section. During the war he also served as commanding officer of a counterintelligence unit in the Philippines.

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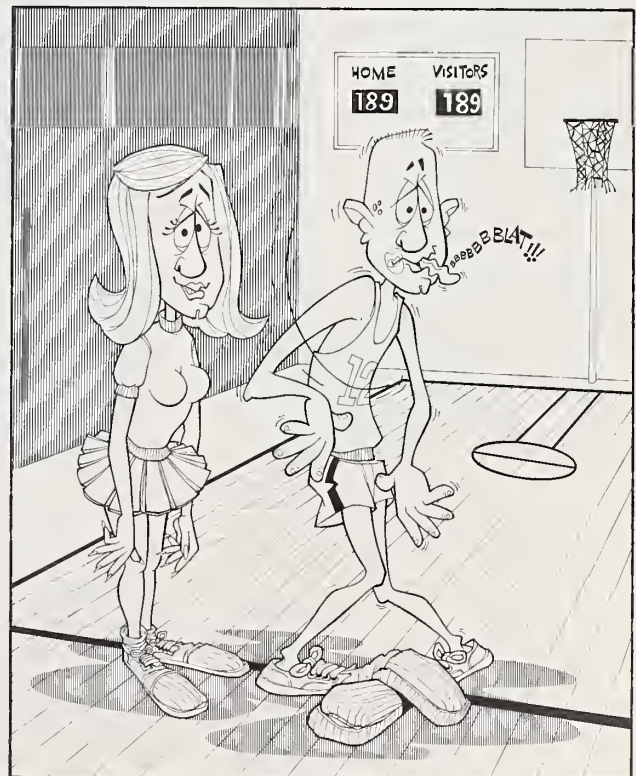
□ **New Awards Folders Coming**—By mid-summer, citations and certificates issued from Headquarters will be mailed to recipients in protective, green vinyl-covered folders. At present most awards are being mailed in tubes.

The 8½ by 11¼-inch folders—similar to those being used for discharge certificates—will keep the inclosed papers neat and free from tearing.

As soon as the current stock of ARCOM, Legion of Merit, and Air Medal certificates and citations are used up, the smaller certificates and citations accompanying the green vinyl folders will be used.

The changeover should occur sometime in June. At present all Bronze Star Medal awards are mailed in the new folders.

INSPIRATIONAL MOTTO



"A tie is like kissing your sister!"

Sergeant Ends Multi-Service Career

by SP4 Franklin York
Editor, Two Rock Ranch Bugle

At the age of 44, SSG Robert Haberland has done everything he ever hoped to do, military-wise. At present he is spending his last year in the Army as a trick chief at USASA FS Two Rock Ranch, Petaluma, California.

Haberland says he never wanted to lead the kind of life where he'd walk to the bus station each morning, punch a time clock and stay at the same job for 25 years without ever having seen any of the world. "I've done everything I ever wanted to do. I'm retiring at 44 and have done all that I've dreamed about," says Haberland.

He was 18 when he enlisted in the Navy for a six-year hitch in 1943. He spent five of those six years with the Fleet Marine Force as a Combat Infantryman Corpsman and saw action in the South Pacific with the 1st and 6th Marine Divisions.

He was with the invasion force that hit the beaches at Okinawa. While stationed in China for almost three years following the war, part of his job was to aid in the repatriation of Japanese prisoners of war. He also went on many patrols against Chinese Communist guerillas operating in the area.

In 1948, while stationed at Oakland Naval Hospital, he met his future wife, Irene, who was an ensign nurse. Although it was taboo for enlisted men to fraternize with naval officers, he dated her anyway. No more than a month after their first meeting, they were married. "I knew a good thing when I saw it," said Mrs. Haberland. In December 1968 they celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary.

In March of 1949 the Haberland family had a decision to make. If he stayed in the Navy they would undoubtedly be separated. To avoid this he decided to enlist in the Army Air Corps for three years. He was promptly sent to Guam for 15 months, where he was first sergeant of a medical company.

None of the men stationed on Guam enjoyed life without their wives, so they obtained permission to remodel an old barracks into family quarters. A typhoon had other plans for the barracks, however, and blew it over a cliff into the bay. The wives didn't make it to Guam. While there, SSG Haberland finished his high school education through USAFI courses.



SSG Robert Haberland stands with some mementos of his service career.

Upon his return to the States, he and his wife went to Biloxi, Mississippi, where he worked on a PT boat in the Gulf of Mexico as part of a crash crew picking up downed pilots.

After that, Haberland spent some time in San Antonio, Texas, at Kelly Field. It was in San Antonio that his only child, Marita, was born. He was doing medical research on the cause of the deaths of several student pilots.

It was discovered that carbon monoxide from the exhaust manifold was seeping into the cockpits of the airplanes, causing the pilots to blackout and crash. Haberland's job was to find out the rate of absorption of carbon monoxide into the bloodstream and then to set safety standards for the Air Force (by this time, the Army Air Corps was no longer in existence).

Soon after leaving the Air Force he began college in Indiana and graduated with a B.S. in chemical engineering from Tri-State College. He and his family lived in a trailer during this period. He went to school on the GI Bill and Mrs. Haberland worked in a hospital. After graduation, he sold the trailer and went to work for the U.S. Rubber Company as a technical representative doing explosives research with Army Ordnance.

Irene Haberland relates how once during this period they rented a house but had only two pieces of furniture—a TV and a rocking chair. They took turns sitting in the chair. Their daughter slept on a bed he constructed from a door, a borrowed mattress and bricks. When the U.S. Rubber Company contract expired, Haberland and family moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he began work with Westinghouse on an Atomic Energy Commission contract. He was a junior engineer doing research in corrosion engineering on nuclear components. He and 33 other men were responsible for designing a mechanism that was installed in the Nautilus, the world's first nuclear submarine.

His next job was with the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, doing research into the conversion of coal into 70-octane gasoline. He started this job as a GS7 and by the time he left the job he had been promoted to a GS9—a rating which he still retains.

In 1958 he decided to apply for a direct commission as a first lieutenant in the Army. He met all the qualifications and passed the board, but while the Army was considering his application he went over the age limit and

so was refused the commission. Although he applied for a direct commission as a captain, this appointment was disapproved because he lacked the required length of civilian experience in his field.

In 1959 SSG Haberland entered the Army for the second time, as a private (a rank he held for 10 days before being promoted to PFC). He was 34 at the time and making \$75 a month. He attended school at Ft. Devens and then went to Germany for three years where he was stationed at FS Herzo.

Upon his return, he worked at Walter Reed Hospital in the Armed

Forces Institute for Pathological Research, and then in 1962 went to the 313th Battalion at Ft. Bragg. He attended jump school at Ft. Benning, and when he returned to Ft. Bragg was transferred to the 7th Special Forces Group. Later he was sent to language school to learn Hausa, a Moslem language spoken in northern Nigeria. Again he returned to Ft. Bragg, this time with the 3d Special Forces Group. In August of 1965 he again went to Germany where he was stationed with the 10th Special Forces Group at Bad Tolz. While there he attended a four-month French language course, took ski and weapons

training and went on field maneuvers with British and Danish Commandos.

In August 1968 he returned to the United States and went to FS Two Rock Ranch. He and his family live in an apartment in Santa Rosa.

And what of the future? SSG Haberland puts it this way, "After I retire, I plan to set sail and see where the current will take me." He will retire January 1, 1970.

While his daughter is attending college, he and his wife will be traveling from Canada to Mexico living in a 30-foot self-contained trailer. He plans to collect rock specimens and do some painting. After that, who knows? H

USASA Linguists Study 'Down In Monterey'

The Defense Language Institute, West Coast Branch, is located at the Presidio of Monterey, California, and trains about 5,000 military personnel each year in 25 different languages. Of those 5,000, about 700 are members of the USASA.

SFC Leonard E. Brandvold is in charge of the USASA Liaison Office at the Institute. Not only is he in charge, but he is the only member of the Liaison Office. SFC Brandvold is responsible for maintaining the link between Headquarters, USASA, and the Agency students at the Institute. He is also responsible for maintaining the records of the students, processing

clearances, obtaining assignment instructions, and counseling the USASA students.

The USASA students represent about 66 per cent of all the Army students at the Institute.

The Institute occupies the historic Presidio of Monterey, one of the oldest military posts in the United States. The area was first claimed for Spain in 1542, and a Spanish fort was erected there in 1770 at the same time that Father Junipero Serra founded the mission. In 1846, Commodore John Drake Sloat landed at Monterey Bay and raised the American flag, claiming California for the United

States.

The Institute is in an exciting location: a scenic two-hour drive to the north lies cosmopolitan San Francisco while the Big Sur—celebrated home of several famous writers and movie stars—is only an hour's ride to the south.

Monterey is also the home of the Bing Crosby Golf Tournament which annually attracts the country's top golfers and entertainment celebrities.

The Institute was initially named the Military Intelligence Service Language School, and it was founded by the Army a month before the Japanese fleet attacked Pearl Harbor.

The original location was in San Francisco. The school later moved to Camp Savage, California, and then to Ft. Snelling, Minnesota.

During World War II it graduated about 6,000 interpreters and translators of Japanese for operations in the Pacific.

In 1946, the school moved to its present location at the Presidio of Monterey.

At Monterey, the school increased in quality and size, until today the size of the student body and the quality of the curriculum and faculty make the Defense Language Institute, West Coast Branch, unique among service schools. H



Five USASA students study German texts in a classroom at the Defense Language Institute. They are: (from left) SP4 Freddie Chriswell; SP4 Charles Jackson; SP4 Joseph Longobardi; SP4 James Cusick; and SP4 Raymond Lemke.

Five Win Writing Awards

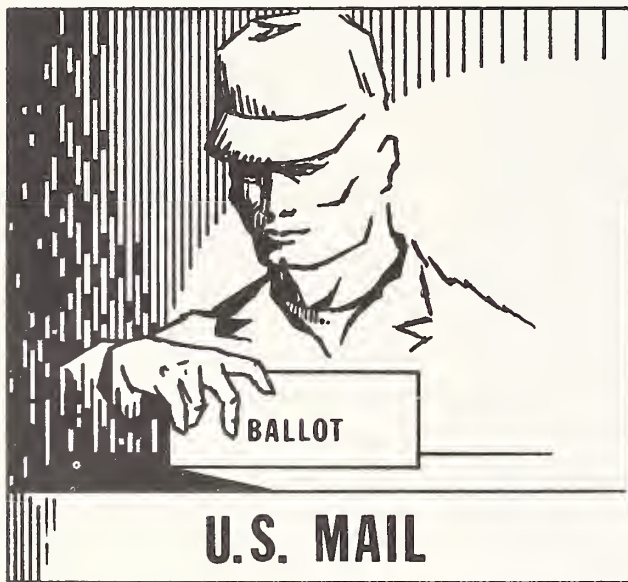
"A Free Ballot . . . A Free Country."

How would you express yourself on this subject? What are your feelings about a free country and a free ballot?

This was the topic of the 1968 Freedoms Foundation Letters Awards Program. Thousands of entries poured in to the Foundation from active and reserve units of all the armed services.

When the judging was completed, these five men were declared among the winners. One of the men, SP4 John P. Hayden of the 83d Radio Research SOU, was presented with one of the top contest prizes—an Honor Medal and \$100.

The other four men were awarded Honor Certificates or Honor Medals for their letters. They were: SP5 Cameron L. Reeves of USASA FS Bad Aibling; SP5 Thomas E. Meadows of USASA FS Shemya; SFC Glenn R. Logan of USASA Spt Gp, Ft. Meade; and SP5 Nicholas J. Smith, USASA FS Homestead.



Freedoms Foundation—an independent, non-profit organization—conducts this Service-wide contest every year.

The topics are designed to increase understanding of the spirit and philosophy of the Bill of Rights and to reaffirm the importance of personal freedom.

In his award-winning letter, SP4 Hayden noted he had just dropped his first absentee ballot—in fact his first ballot—into the mailbox.

"I'm not a philosopher or political scientist," he wrote. "I'm a soldier. But a lot of things are not as complicated as some people like to think."

He summed up his outlook on our free ballot by saying: "It is no mere coincidence that this freedom, which Communism will always be last to acknowledge, is in fact

the very freedom that America will be first to defend.

"Why? Because this one principle spells the crucial difference between freedom and dictatorship: a free ballot—a free country."

In his letter on "A Free Ballot—a Free Country," Ft. Meade's SFC Logan sketched the evolution of present-day society, observing that ours became one where "the rights of man must be guaranteed!"

"Our founding fathers," Logan wrote, "guaranteed us the right of representative government which carries with it the right and responsibility of voting.

"When the people vote freely in an informed and responsible manner, they are in reality casting one more ballot for the ideal of our forefathers—a free ballot preserves a free country."

Honor Medal winner SP5 Meadow's entry was in free verse form with the alphabet letters of the contest title beginning each line. Here is his effort on the word "Free":

Freedom is worth your vote. Speak for yourself.
Right to choose your leader.
Enables one to voice his own opinion.
Enhances moral concepts.

Homestead Honor Medal winner SP5 Nicholas J. Smith commented in his letter that, "All too frequently there is a willingness to let someone else make the decisions for us; and it is in this atmosphere of non-concern that tyranny takes root and grows."

One of the Honor Certificate winners in the Freedoms Foundation letters contest was SP5 Cameron L. Reeves of Bad Aibling.

SP5 Reeves stressed the importance of a free ballot in the future of the United States and also analyzed the role of a free ballot in our past.

"By looking at our nation's past, we can see that the ballot has been a force for freedom resulting in almost two centuries of democratic government," SP5 Reeves wrote.

"It is a vehicle of change for the people's representation in government and also a basis for the longevity of our two-party system, both of which contribute to a free democratic nation."

These five Freedoms Foundation winners deserve special credit and recognition for their participation. In fact, so do all of those who entered the competition.

The 1968 Freedoms Foundation Letters Awards Program is over and the winners have been announced. If you had any thoughts on the 1968 topic it's too late to express them—at least in the contest.

However, in 1969 there will be a new contest—a new topic. Unless you enter you can't win.

The top award is \$1,000 and there are 50 awards of \$100 and 50 of \$50. It might be worth a letter. ■



HALL OF FAME

Awards and honors won by military and civilian USASA members

Legion of Merit

COLONEL: John A. Smith III, John S. Wilson.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL: Daniel L. Himmel (1), Jack H. Jacobus, Peter J. Marco, John S. O'Conner, Robert L. Youngblood.

MAJOR: Wilfred F. Gress, Wiley W. Walker.

MASTER SERGEANT: I. D. Francis Jr.

Soldier's Medal

SPECIALIST 4: Jerald F. Kearney.

Bronze Star Medal

FIRST LIEUTENANT: Nole R. Cohen.

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 3: George L. Beineman.

MASTER SERGEANT: Eugene V. Marshall Jr., Adelbert E. Smith, Jack R. Trivette.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS: George B. Hern, Harvey L. Johnson.

SPECIALIST 5: Timothy J. Bertrand, George F. Navyac.

SPECIALIST 4: Occie H. Tate Jr.

Air Medal

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS: Jones B. Horne, Charles L. Roe (1-9).

SPECIALIST 5: Thomas J. App, Bruce I. Neyland (1-17), William L. Paysen (14-20), Eugene A. Pohner (1-5), Robert C. Reeser, Monroe B. Williams.

Army Commendation Medal

LIEUTENANT COLONEL: Chester A. Baker, William H. Mertz (Chaplain), William E. Purcill (1).

MAJOR: Joe L. Alexander, John J. Baronowski, Joseph F. Carls (1), Edward J. Cima (V Device), Robert F. Collins (1), Clement W. Nicolini (1), David W. Tellman.

CAPTAIN: Douglas W. Armstrong, Wayne L. Clement, Harry E. Crybskey, John W. Dempsey (1), James N. Frazier (1), Allen W. Hawkes, William A. Hipp (1), Lawrence C. Jaffe, Gerald L.

Schneider, Willard Steverson, James K. Wead, Duane A. Woodliff.

FIRST LIEUTENANT: James C. Bauman, Frankie J. DeMarco, Scott M. Kelley, Phillip R. Lamberth, William R. Valentine.

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 4: Howard W. Riley (3).

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2: Charles A. Daugherty, Richard J. Knoll. STAFF SERGEANT MAJOR: Jack S. Lowrey, Kadettie J. Manion (1).

MASTER SERGEANT: William J. Christian (4), James E. Doss (2), William C. Dougall (2), Robert A. Firth Jr. (1), Rudolph Perez, Angelo G. Perri, Davis K. Robbins (2), Alfred H. Savary, Robert J. Ware (1).

FIRST SERGEANT: William F. Bowser (2), Donald W. Brown (1), Gordon Johnson, Walter L. McCray.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS: James E. Adamson, Ray A. Anfang, Garold A. Badberg (1), Bobby C. Bethune, William D. Calhoun, James T. Forbus (1), Becky R. Fulton, Ren S. Jacoby (1), Lila I. Kellgren, Lawrence M. Klein, Robert C. Kobett, William J. Madden Jr. (1), Benjamin S. McArdle (1), Lawrence H. Murphy (1), Elliot G. Rogers, Ronald A. Schwimer, Harold H. Seibert, Rhoe A. Thompson (1), Willie T. Williams.

SPECIALIST 7: Mieczyslaw B. Bochniewicz (3).

STAFF SERGEANT: Kenneth B. Bear-den, Joseph F. Beaty, Clarence E. Floyd, Virgil E. Gray Jr, Stephen T. Hartman, Richard D. Holopainen, Harold A. Hunt, Michael B. Lee, Hebert Lorah, Frank Mitchell Jr, Timothy S. Neas, Junior Price, John P. Richardson, Harold D. Robinson, Maxie Trotter, Clayton C. Willsey.

SPECIALIST 6: William T. Day, Richard W. Frye, Felix T. Herubin, Daniel Mechelke, Sherman D. Page.

SERGEANT: Donald B. Barrett Jr, Curtis E. Shaffer, David M. Stremke.

SPECIALIST 5: David L. Byrnes, Arthur B. Cormier, Roy L. Gutknecht, Robert D. Hayes, Robert E. Johnson, John E. Knight, Lancing H. Little, Ronald E. May, Robert J. McCarthy, Stephen McKimmie, John M. Mitchell, John W. Najdzin Jr, John W. Parker, Thomas D. Phillips, Dennis L. Pychinka, Phillip A. Raab (1), Joseph D. Rocheleau, Leslie M. Sloup, Ronald V. Sonby, Roger M.

Stager, Larry W. Stump, John R. Super (V Device), Michael A. Watson, William E. Wimet, Stephen A. Wolff, Calvin K. Yamane, John M. Younkin.

SPECIALIST 4: Harlen R. Bowden, Paul R. Murphy, Larry W. Olementz, Robert T. Remley, Charles B. Ronnigen, Patrick F. Stone, Occie H. Tate Jr.

CORPORAL: Everett M. Downs.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS: Virgil M. Borges (V Device).

Retirement

MASTER SERGEANT: Edward Gibson, Charles F. Howell, Albert E. Lozar, Terry A. Preston, H. Savary, William A. White.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS: Andrew J. Carter, Paul Childers, William Madden, Francis Pfannenstiel, Elliott B. Rogers, Curtis H. Strong.

Purple Heart

STAFF SERGEANT: Danny H. Hall.

Soldier of the Year TC&S

SFC Duane L. Haneckow

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

Outstanding Performance Awards

John R. Bell, Charles Maloney, Kenneth McKinney, John S. Schwab Jr., William Scott, Denis Sullivan Jr., and Miss Sharon Tyson.

Sustained Superior Performance Award

Mrs. Betty J. Reed.

Quality Pay Increases

Charles Maloney, Mrs. Betty Mason, Mrs. Phyllis Mercier, William Sharrett and Miss Sharon Tyson.



R AND R REPORT

USASA sports, recreation and entertainment

SPORTS CAR RALLY

Germany—SP5s Tom Weil and Gary Hendrickson took first place in the South Bavaria Sports Car Club's combination time-speed-distance gimmick sports car rally. In addition to covering the 60-mile course in 119 minutes, Weil and Hendrickson had to answer questions such as, "When was Major Engelman born?" To find the answer, they had to check every tombstone in the local German cemetery!

YACHTING

Maryland—CPT Arthur F. Lange, Spt Gp, Ft Meade, finished second in the International 14 Ice Bowl Regatta on the Severn River near Annapolis, in January. This is "the" annual event for sailboat enthusiasts. The regatta lived up to its name this year with ice forming on the lines and in the bilge, making sail handling and footing very difficult.

CPT Arthur F. Lange is shown sailing his own sailboat, Flying Dutchman class, in California.



BASKETBALL

The Arlington Hall Station Eagles, divisional champions of the Washington Area Military Athletic Conference with a 9-2 regular season record, finished 2d in their division of the First Army Basketball Championship.

As far as the two leading contenders for the crown were concerned, the tournament this year was a replay of last year's, with the roles interchanged. Last year in the round robin double-elimination tourney, Walter Reed Army Medical Center emerged from the loser's bracket only to be defeated by unbeaten Arlington Hall. This year, AHS lost early in the tournament, then won 5 games straight before losing in the finals to WRAMC, 71-51.

The Eagles were coached by SP5 Ralph E. Dewey, HQ Co, US Army Garrison, and managed by SP4 Pettis Givan. Team members were, from HQ USASA, CPT Robert A. Fitch, 1LT Thomas G. Justice; from HQ Co, USAG, SP5 George R. Gardner, SP5 John E. Hopley, SP4s Robert E. Brown, Joseph L. Walker, Elijah Solomon, Stanley P. Shope and PFC Marvin L. Kohlmier and from DIA, 1LT Mark P. Bayer.

BOWLING

Alaska—In season competition ending January 12, Shemya placed first out of the ten teams in the Telephonic Bowling League. This league is for teams from remote Army and Air Force sites throughout Alaska. Army members of the team include LTC B. E. Slesinger, CW2 Mack H. Cridell, MSG William Cappozzoli, SFC Eugene T. Arnold and SSG William P. Hunter.

Arizona—SP5 Edward Boulay of USASA T&EC captured 1st place in the singles and all events category of the 6th Annual Cochise County Bowling Tournament. He rolled a 671 total for a three-game series which is some feat for someone who averages 150.

Japan—Keglers are really bowling over the records at FS Chitose. MSG

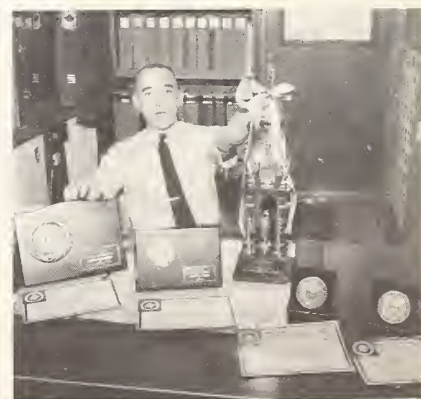


Winners of the first Europe Chief's Women's Bowling Tournament are (from left) Mrs. Ann Kypta, Mrs. Grace Few, Mrs. Norma Loucks, Mrs. Ruth Plumb and Mrs. Mary Walker.

Tom Green, the only American among the 48 finalists, swept through the 4th Annual Hokkaido International Bowling Tournament taking trophies for All Events, Singles, High Series, and with partner SSG Bill Beyerlin, runner-up in the Doubles. CW4 Bill MacDonald rolled the highest series in the history of Kuma Station (254, 240, 222—716), SP5 Dan Seigel upped the mark for the highest single game ever when he rolled a 277; and Mrs. O'Neil Blount became the first woman to ever break the 600 barrier with games of 210, 187 and 215 for a 612 series. Of 68 games bowled in one night in Kuma Station league play 22 games were 200 or better—the 17 men who bowled had a combined average for the night of 196!

Germany—The Herzo Women's Bowling Team topped four other teams to win the first Chief's ASA Wives Tournament, held at Flak Kaserne. Pacing the Herzo gals to their win was Mrs.

MSG Tom Green, Kuma Station, displays his trophies for winning several events at Hokkaido International Bowling Tournament.





PFC Richard Mayer accompanies SP4 John Montanus on the flute in a program of Baroque music at the Presidio of Monterey Service Club. Together these two Agency men have nearly 20 years musical experience. Both are studying Russian at the Defense Language Institute, West Coast.

Ann Kypta, wife of SFC Donald B. Kypta, who won the singles competition with 596 pins. She teamed up with Mrs. Ruth Plumb, wife of SSG Thomas H. Plumb, to take the doubles crown with 1128 pins and the all-events competition.

Okinawa—During February the Torii Station "Destroyers" from Trick One Co A captured the Okinawa Bowling Association's 11th Annual Handicap Championship Tournament with a 3,078 series. Team members are SFC Arthur (Pops) Olson, SSG Jim (T/C) Haug, SP5 Dave (The Hocker) Hock, SP5 Ed (Tank) Smith and SP4 Gene (Tic-Tac) Talley. The All-Events Champion was SP5 Smith with a nine-game series of 1,948.

After winning the Herzo Base Company League Basketball crown, Co B took the North Bavaria District title. The team is led by SP4 Jim Beam and SP4 Curt Crutchedony (shown here hooping a free throw) who averaged 25 points per conference game.



ZOT AWARDS

Alaska—The Ft. Shemya Glass Ball has a "What is It?" column. An overly "creative" staff artist modified the map symbol for the 1st Cav Airmobile Div into a martini glass with toothpick.

How come the members of the Army All Stars Bowling team have Shemya *Alasaka* on their shirts?

Germany—The newly-opened EM/NCO club in the "White House" is known as the Spookeasy Club.

Jabberwocky is the name of the new humor column in the 507th *Flak Profile*. . . .

Florida—The men of Seminole Station went to the rifle ranges recently but didn't get to fire. It seems they came on the wrong day . . . and the ammunition they brought turned out to be all blanks!

Virginia—According to the Arlington Hall Station daily bulletin, "A Barbie Fashion Doll House was inadvertently placed in the wrong black and white Dodge convertible in Parking Lot C . . . will the finder please call. . . ."

CHESS

Germany—SP6 Jim Hedge, who holds the #2 board on the Herzo Base chess team, won 20 of 21 matches in a recent exhibition. In an earlier tournament, SP4 Tom Burgess placed second.

FOOTBALL

Vietnam—The Cobras, football team of HHC 313th Bn, won the Nha Trang football tourney (see January *R&R Report*). However, according to SP4 Louis Krieger of 330th RR Co, the Beauwolves, under the coaching of 1LT J. Lance Hartley, clobbered the Nha Trang champs 14-6 in a grudge match.

BILLIARDS

SP4s John Hicks and Tom Zenisek took first and second places respectively in the January Bad Aibling Service Club 14 and 1 Billiards Tournament.

MUSIC

Germany—SP4 Jim Richey was chosen from Bad Aibling to tour with the Seventh Army Soldiers' Chorus.

THEATRE

Germany—The Bad Aibling Players recently performed "Blood, Sweat and Stanley Poole."



"Beggar," mascot of HHC, 507th Gp with (from left) SP5 Merrill Carraway, SP5 Conley Pierce and SP5 Dennis Portee.

A "Troop" Named Beggar

"Beggar: One who begs." The canine mascot of the 507th Gp in Flak Kaserne is aptly named Beggar since he is adept at getting people to give him things; also he considers the bunks of some of his human friends as his own. (Beggar has his own "bunk"—an old mail bag in the HQ Co building).

Beggar was a sorry troop when he wandered in last spring from the unit antenna field. After the shaggy "newk" was given a haircut and a bath, he turned out to be far more than an ordinary troop—in fact, to all outward appearances he is a pure-bred French Poodle.

Some of his favorite snacks are fried chicken, potato chips, ice cream and rainbow trout. Sometimes he seems to take on characteristics of some of the people he spends his time with, and like many others, he maintains a mustache (neatly trimmed, of course). Another thing is that when he barks and is told to be quiet, he'll bark under his breath. He's pretty good as a mountain climber, and one time on a field hike to Kronweiler, Beggar ran down a 700-foot slope and back up again. Physically he is in better shape than anyone else in the Group. He is also a "Jager," but he chases rabbits only for the fun of it—if he ever caught one he probably wouldn't know what to do with it. He's up to date on his shots and has an ID tag registered to the 507th.

Some units have orders cut on their mascots (see August Hallmark). Maybe it would be better if Beggar were given dependent status. That seems more appropriate.

Small Cars Make for

Big Fun at Chitose

by SP4 Stephen C. Collier
From The Chitose Courier

The "hottest" car at FS Chitose is a twin engine Cadillac owned by SSG Chuck Castle. The Caddy is just one of 15 to 20 cars that Castle has on Post—in his room. You see, SSG Castle has been bitten by the Slot Car Bug.

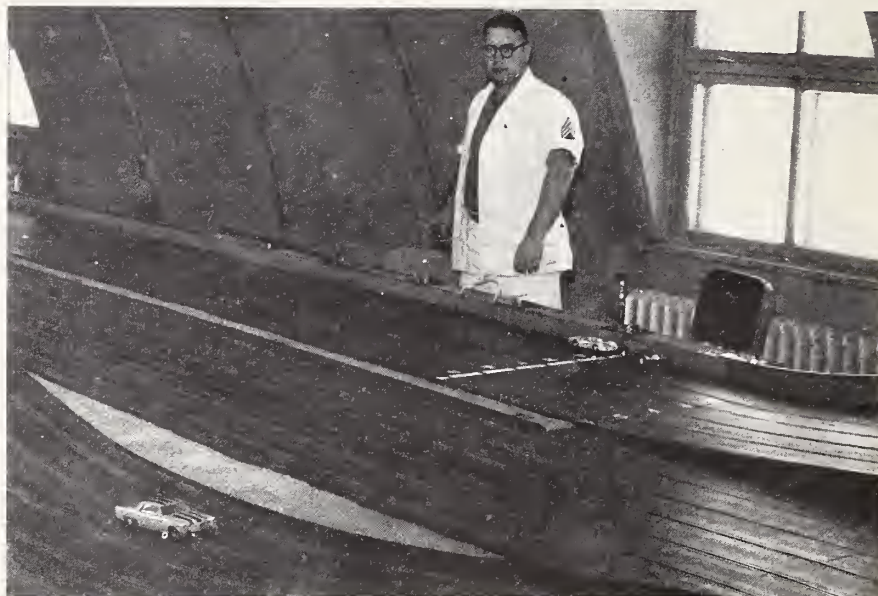
It all began about 10 years ago and since that time our man Castle has been building, racing and repairing his own as well as other people's cars. Most recently he has been helping the children at FS Chitose.

SSG Castle and his four-wheel-drive Caddy recently won the honor of Top Eliminator in the All Hokkaido Slot Car Races. This gave him the opportunity to participate in the All Japan Slot Car Races in Tokyo, as well as being awarded a cash prize and Trophy. Unfortunately the trip to Tokyo was impossible due to operational reasons.

Therefore, the second place winner received that honor. In order to remain in amateur standing, Castle also turned down the trophy and money.

SSG Castle pointed out that blowing your engine is just as big a problem with these little slot cars as it is with the regular racers. The improper gear ratio will force you out of a race here, just as fast as it will at Daytona or Indianapolis.

SSG Castle has hopes of starting a slot car racing team at FS Chitose and having it sanctioned by the North American Miniature Racing Associa-



SSG Castle's "hottest" entry—a twin-engine Cadillac—races around the Chitose Special Services Slot Car Track. The sergeant owns close to 20 slot cars.

tion (NAMRA). To do this he needs five 5-man teams.

With a little luck and 24 more in-

terested parties, SSG Castle and his Kuma Station GT-ers will be on their way.

SP6 Named Top NCO Course Grad at Bad Aibling

by SP5 Gerald A. Brown
FS Bad Aibling

SP6 Jerry C. Hearn, Company A, USASA FS Bad Aibling, has been selected as Honor Graduate for the second FS Bad Aibling Noncommissioned Officers Course.

Hearn, a 24-year-old communications specialist, maintained the highest grade average of the 21 students participating in the program. For his accomplishments, SP6 Hearn was presented a field station certificate of achievement on January 24 by LTC Norman T. Templeton, commanding officer.

Originally from Atlanta, Georgia,

Hearn and his wife, Eugenia, reside in Bad Aibling.

The FS Bad Aibling NCO Course is designed as a review of general military subjects and operational techniques pertinent to an NCO's performance of duty.

Participants in the course are in grade E5 or above and are placed on TDY for the duration of the school.

Courses taught in the program range from military courtesy and leadership to map reading and dismounted drill. Instructors are drawn from the ranks of the senior NCO's at the Field Station and a course is scheduled for each quarter.



Slot car racing is becoming one of the most popular pastimes at Chitose. Above, three competitors get set for a 25-lap race. The cars can reach up to 300 scale miles per hour.

Drug Abuse

From the Pacific Stars and Stripes

Hear the one about the guy who had to be "put away" because he thought he was Christ? And how he got a roommate because his wife believed him?

Or the nutty Harvard college kid who jumped down the stairs step-by-step because he thought he was only six inches tall?

Neither of these stories is funny. They wouldn't be funny if they were fiction, and the fact they are factual makes them tragic.

Each story is documented. And each of the persons in the stories had a common push into their madness. They were victims of LSD.

In Florida, a 16-year-old boy shot to death his family of five. A Minnesota man shot and killed a complete stranger on the road. A man in Colorado tried to shoot his wife but killed her grandmother instead. Then he killed himself.

The boy and the two men committed these murders just after smoking marijuana.

It wasn't too long ago that men like Aldous Huxley, famed novelist-essayist, and numbers of other professional people, were saying nice things about LSD, but more and more responsible doctors and law enforcement officials are now agreeing that LSD and marijuana are crippers and have no place in society.

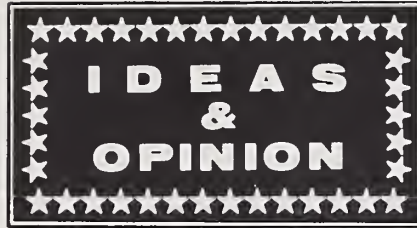
Harry J. Anslinger, former U.S. commissioner of narcotics, says in his book, "The Murderers," that much of the irrational juvenile violence and killing that has written a new chapter of shame and tragedy in America is traceable directly to this hemp intoxication.

The American Medical Association calls marijuana a "menace" and labels as "unscientific" a popular early World War II study. The study, called the La Guardia Report, was made by administering small amounts of marijuana to 77 prisoners. The final report said that experts in the U.S. Narcotics Bureau, and other authorities who have denounced marijuana as dangerous, are in error.

The report gave the underworld a new lease on life and many youths still regard it as gospel, according to Anslinger. But the AMA says that

the report is unscientific because "antisocial behavior could not have been noticed as the subjects were prisoners."

The U.S. Defense Department agrees with the AMA, and an Army report to troops in the Far East called "The Destructors," labels marijuana and all other drugs as a "menace to security."



Sick Leave

From the Samurai Shinbun
USASA FS Hakata

When I arrived at Building T-1640 to fix it, I found that the rains had dislodged a large number of tiles from the roof. So I rigged up a beam with a pulley at the top of the building and hoisted up a couple of barrels of tile.

When I fixed the building, there was a lot of tile left over. I hoisted the barrel back up again, secured the line at the bottom, and then went up and filled the barrel with the extra tile. Then I went to the bottom and cast off the line.

Unfortunately, the barrel of tile was heavier than I was and before I knew what was happening, the barrel started down and jerked me off the ground. I decided to hang on, and halfway up I met the barrel coming down, receiving a severe blow on the shoulder.

I then continued to the top, banging my head against the beam, and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley. When the barrel hit the ground, it burst its bottom, thus allowing the tile to spill out. I was heavier than the barrel and started down again at high speed.

Halfway down, I met the barrel coming up and received severe injuries to my chin. When I hit the ground, I landed on the tile, getting several painful cuts from the tiles' sharp edges.

At this point I must have lost my presence of mind because I let go of the line. The barrel came down, giving me another heavy blow on the head and putting me in the hospital.

Respectfully request sick leave.

As I See It

By Clifford L. Charron

Command

Sergeant Major

My Flag—My Country

This inspiring motto should be uppermost in the minds and hearts of all Americans, and especially servicemen.

While visiting a military post recently, I happened to be approaching the headquarters building as the military police were preparing to lower the flag at Retreat. A passing soldier hurried to enter a nearby building before the first note sounded. When Retreat was over, I approached this soldier and asked him why he had not stayed and rendered the proper courtesies to our flag and our deceased comrades. His answer was that he thought that only soldiers in formations should render those courtesies and he was unaware that when the American flag is lowered throughout the world, we are, in fact, paying our respects to those soldiers who gave their lives for their flag and country.

Since assuming the office of command sergeant major, I have traveled this world twice over. I have visited military posts in Japan, Korea, Italy, Guam, Germany, Okinawa, Africa, Alaska, Hawaii and in Southeast Asia, and in each area there is a history of American valor. In each area American servicemen have demonstrated their love of country by making the ultimate sacrifice. They have sacrificed so the Stars and Stripes can fly high and free.

In this day when our flag is desecrated in some countries, let each of us stand tall at Reveille and Retreat and be proud of the traditions that surround these ceremonies. Let each of us be conspicuous in our honoring of flag and country. Let each of us take a few minutes and remember the fallen comrades that those 50 stars and 13 stripes represent.

Let each of us take a few minutes to remember what our flag means, and then to pray—God Bless America.

**FLARE**

**From The Samurai Shinbun
FS Hakata**

Somewhere a bugle softly sounds
Its message of renown,
And men inside their buildings wait
Until the flag comes down

And others run to get their cars
Quite harrowed and dismayed,
Afraid they will not reach the gate
Before retreat is played

Not thinking of the flag or men
Who fought to keep it flying

How many would be glad to stand
Whose bodies now are mute,
Or have no hand that they might raise
And stand in proud salute?

So accept it not as duty
But a privilege even more,
And receive it as an honor
Instead of just a chore.